

Special Election Calendar
Special General Election February 10, 2015
California State Senate, 35th District (Rod Wright)

12/19/14	(E-53)	1 NOTICE TO EACH CANDIDATE Secretary of State to notify each candidate for voter-nominated office of the names, addresses, offices, occupations, and party preferences of all other persons who have filed for the same office.	§ 8147.5 ¹
12/22/14	(E-50)	2 CANDIDATE STATEMENTS IN THE COUNTY OFFICIAL SAMPLE BALLOT DEADLINE Last day for State Senate candidates to purchase space for a 250-word candidate statement in the official sample ballot(s) of the county or counties in the jurisdiction. Candidates for State Senate may purchase statement space only if they have agreed to voluntary expenditure limits.	Gov. Code § 85601(c)
12/22/14	(E-50)	3 POLITICAL PARTY ENDORSEMENTS Last day for any qualified political party to submit to the county elections official a list of all candidates for voter-nominated office who will appear on any ballot in the county in question, and who have been endorsed by the party. The county elections official shall print any such list that is timely received from the state party chairperson in the sample ballot.	§ 13302(b)
12/23/14	(E-49)	4 CERTIFIED LIST OF CANDIDATES Secretary of State sends the Certified List of Candidates to the county elections official.	§ 8148 Date designated by Secretary of State
12/27/14* (Saturday)	(E-45)	5 MILITARY AND OVERSEAS VOTERS Last day for the county elections officials to mail ballots to military and overseas voters.	§ 3114
01/01/15** to 01/20/15	(E-40 to E-21)	6 COUNTIES MAIL SAMPLE BALLOTS/VOTER INFORMATION GUIDES Period in which the county elections official shall mail a polling place notice and sample ballot or voter information guide to each registered voter. The polling place notice may state whether the polling place is accessible to the physically handicapped.	§§ 13303, 13304, 13305
01/12/15	(E-29)	7 PRECINCT BOARD MEMBERS AND POLLING PLACES Last day for the county elections official to appoint the members of the several precinct boards and designate the polling places.	§ 12286
01/12/15 to 02/03/15	(E-29 to E-7)	8 VOTE-BY-MAIL VOTERS Period in which any registered voter may apply to the county elections official for a vote-by-mail ballot for the special general election.	§§ 3001, 3102(e), 10704(c)
01/20/15	(E-21)	9 SAMPLE BALLOTS/VOTER INFORMATION GUIDES Last day for the county elections official to mail sample ballots or voter information guides to voters for the special general election.	§§ 13303, 13305
01/26/15	(E-15)	10 VOTER REGISTRATION Last day to register to vote in the special general election.	§§ 2102, 2107
01/27/15 to 02/10/15	(E-14 to E)	11 NEW CITIZEN REGISTRATION PERIOD Period in which new citizens may register to vote. A new citizen registering to vote after the close of registration shall provide the county elections official with proof of citizenship prior to voting and shall declare that he or she has established residency in California.	§§ 331, 3500, 3501
01/27/15	(E-14)	12 BILINGUAL PRECINCT BOARD MEMBERS Last day to prepare a list of precincts to which bilingual officers were appointed. A copy of this list shall be made available to the public.	§ 12303(d)
01/31/15*** (Saturday)	(E-10)	13 PUBLICATION OF TALLY CENTER LOCATION On or before this date, a notice shall be published by the county elections official at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the district specifying the public place to be used as the central tally center for counting the ballots.	§ 12109

¹ All code references are to the California Elections Code unless otherwise stated.

* Elections Code section 3114 requires that ballots and ballot materials be transmitted to each military and overseas voter on the 45th day before the election. E-45 is on December 27, 2014, which is a Saturday; this deadline does not move forward to the next business day.

** Date falls on New Year's Day, a state holiday, it does not move forward to the next business day.

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02/03/15	(E-7)	14 VOTE-BY-MAIL VOTERS Last day for a county elections official to receive any voter's application for a vote-by-mail ballot for the special general election.	§§ 3001, 3102(e), 10704(c)
02/03/15	(E-7) [5:00 p.m.]	15 COMPUTER PROGRAM TO SECRETARY OF STATE Last day for counties to verify their election night vote count computer programs and deposit copies thereof with the Secretary of State.	§ 15001
02/04/15 to 02/09/15	(E-6 to E-1)	16 MILITARY OR OVERSEAS VOTER - RECALLED TO SERVICE Period in which a registered military or overseas voter recalled to service after February 3, 2015 (E-7), but before 5:00 p.m. on February 9, 2015 (E-1), may appear before the county elections official and obtain a vote-by-mail ballot which may be voted in, or outside, the county elections official's office on or before the close of the polls and returned as are other voted vote-by-mail ballots.	§ 3111
02/04/15 to 02/10/15	(E-6 to E)	17 VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS - LATE CONDITIONS Period in which any voter may apply in writing for a vote-by-mail ballot because of specified conditions if he or she will be unable to go to the polls on Election Day. The voter may designate any authorized representative to return the voted vote-by-mail ballot.	§ 3021
02/09/15	(E-1) [5:00 p.m.]	18 MILITARY OR OVERSEAS VOTER - RECALLED TO SERVICE Last day a registered military or overseas voter recalled to service after February 3, 2015 (E-7), but before 5:00 p.m. on February 9, 2015 (E-1), may obtain from the county elections official a vote-by-mail ballot which can be voted in, or outside, the county elections official's office on or before the close of the polls and returned as are other voted vote-by-mail ballots.	§ 3111
02/10/15	(E)	19 MILITARY OR OVERSEAS VOTERS Any registered military or overseas voter or any individual born outside of the United States or District of Columbia whose parent or legal guardian was a resident of California when the parent was last living in the United States who has returned to their county of registration on or before this day, and to whom a vote-by-mail ballot has been mailed but not voted, may apply to vote in the county elections official's office or in a polling place. An unregistered military or overseas voter who was released from service after the close of registration and who has returned to his or her county of residence may apply in person to register with the county elections official and vote in the election. Documentary proof of release from service is required. On or before the day of the election, the county elections official shall deliver to the precinct board a list of military or overseas voters registered under Elections Code section 3108. A military or overseas voter or any individual born outside of the United States or District of Columbia whose parent or legal guardian was a resident of California when the parent was last living in the United States who returns to the county after February 3, 2015 (E-7), may appear before the county elections official and apply for registration, a vote-by-mail ballot, or both. The county elections official shall register the voter, if not registered, and shall deliver a vote-by-mail ballot which may be voted in, or outside, the county elections official's office on or before the close of the polls on the day of the election and returned as are other voted vote-by-mail ballots.	§§ 300(b), 3109 § 3108 § 3110
02/10/15	(E)	20 NEW CITIZEN REGISTRATION Last day for new citizen registration.	§§ 331, 3500, 3501
02/10/15	(E)	21 SPECIAL GENERAL ELECTION Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. All vote-by-mail ballots must be received by the county elections official by 8:00 p.m.	§§ 3020, 14212
02/10/15	(E)	22 VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS RETURNED IN ORDER TO BE COUNTED Vote-by-mail ballots shall be received by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day at any polling place in the county where the voter is registered, or at the office of the elections official.	§§ 3017, 3020

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02/10/15	(E)	23 VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS - LATE CONDITIONS Last day any voter may request in writing a vote-by-mail ballot because of specified conditions resulting in his or her absence from the polling place or precinct on Election Day.	§ 3021
02/20/15	(E+10)	24 OFFICIAL CANVASS Last day for the county elections official to complete the official canvass and certify results to the Secretary of State.	Date designated by Secretary of State
03/20/15	(E+38)	25 CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION (CANDIDATE) Last day for the Secretary of State to determine votes cast for State Senate and to certify the person having the highest number of votes for that office as duly elected. It is the intention of the Secretary of State to issue a certificate immediately after receipt of the results of the official canvass.	§§ 15501, 15504